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Kansas Sheep and Lamb Inventory Down 7 Percent

KANSAS: All sheep and lamb inventory in Kansas on January 1, 2013 totaled 65,000 head, down 7 percent from last year. This is the lowest number of sheep and lambs on record for Kansas. **Breeding sheep inventory**, at 42,000 head, was down 5 percent from January 1, 2012. The inventory of ewes one year and older, at 33,000 head, was down 3 percent from last year, while rams at 2,000 head, were unchanged from the previous year. Replacement lambs totaled 7,000 head, down 13 percent from last year. The 2012 **lamb crop** was 43,000 head, down 9 percent from 2011. The 2012 lambing rate was 126 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on hand January 1, 2013, compared with a lambing rate of 142 in 2011. **Market sheep and lambs** on January 1, 2013 totaled 23,000 head, down 12 percent from a year ago. Of the lambs, 10,000 weighed less than 65 pounds, 2,500 weighed 65 - 84 pounds, 1,500 weighed 85 - 105 pounds, 5,000 weighed over 105 pounds, while 4,000 were market sheep.

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on January 1, 2013, totaled 5.34 million head, down 1 percent from 2012. Breeding sheep inventory decreased to 3.98 million head on January 1, 2013, down 1 percent from 4.0 million head on January 1, 2012. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.14 million head, were 1 percent below last year. Market sheep and lambs on January 1, 2013, totaled 1.36 million head, down 1 percent from January 1, 2012. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total market inventory. Twenty-three percent were lambs under 65 pounds, 12 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 22 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 37 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total market inventory. **The 2012 lamb crop** of 3.46 million head, was down 2 percent from 2011. The 2012 lambing rate was 109 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2012, unchanged from 2011.

Kansas and United States, Sheep and Lambs on Farms, by Classes, January 1

Class	Kansas				United States			
	2011	2012	2013	% of 2012	2011	2012	2013	% of 2012
	1,000 Head			Percent	1,000 Head			Percent
All Sheep & Lambs	70.0	70.0	65.0	93	5,480.0	5,365.0	5,335.0	99
All Market Sheep & Lambs	27.0	26.0	23.0	88	1,400.0	1,370.0	1,360.0	99
Breeding Sheep & Lambs								
Replacement Lambs under 1 Year	8.0	8.0	7.0	88	665.0	660.0	660.0	100
Ewes 1 Yr. & Older	33.0	34.0	33.0	97	3,225.0	3,165.0	3,140.0	99
Rams 1 Yr. & Older	2.0	2.0	2.0	100	190.0	170.0	175.0	103
Market Lambs								
Under 65 Lbs.	13.0	11.0	10.0	91	364.0	297.0	320.0	108
65-84 Lbs.	3.5	3.0	2.5	83	178.0	159.0	160.0	101
85-105 Lbs.	3.5	2.0	1.5	75	297.0	312.0	305.0	98
105 Lbs. +	3.0	6.0	5.0	83	481.0	518.0	500.0	97
Total	23.0	22.0	19.0	86	1,320.0	1,286.0	1,285.0	100
Market Sheep	4.0	4.0	4.0	100	80.0	84.0	75.0	89

Kansas and United States, Lamb Crop

Year	Kansas			United States		
	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr.+, Jan. 1	Lambs per 100 Ewes, Jan. 1	Lamb Crop	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr.+, Jan. 1	Lambs per 100 Ewes, Jan. 1	Lamb Crop
	1,000 Head	Number	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Number	1,000 Head
2008	53	109	58	3,540.0	105	3,710.0
2009	47	128	60	3,405.0	108	3,690.0
2010	41	122	50	3,335.0	107	3,570.0
2011	33	142	47	3,225.0	109	3,510.0
2012	34	126	43	3,165.0	109	3,455.0

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Wool Production

KANSAS: Shorn wool production during 2012 was 255,000 pounds, down 11 percent from a year earlier. **Sheep shorn**, at 42,000 head, decreased 5 percent from 2011. Average weight per fleece was 6.1 pounds, down 0.4 pounds from 2011. The average **price paid** for wool sold in 2012 was 70 cents per pound, unchanged from 2011. Total value of shorn wool was \$179,000, down 10 percent from 2011.

UNITED STATES: Shorn wool production in the United States during 2012 was 28.5 million pounds, down 3 percent from 2011. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 3.93 million head, also down 2 percent from 2011. The average price paid for wool sold in 2012 was \$1.53 per pound for a total value of 43.6 million dollars, down 11 percent from 48.9 million dollars in 2011.

Kansas and United States, Wool Production and Value

Year	Sheep Shorn ¹	Weight per Fleece	Shorn Wool Production	Price per Pound	Value
	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
Kansas					
2011	44.0	6.5	285	0.70	200
2012	42.0	6.1	255	0.70	179
United States					
2011	4,030.0	7.3	29,290	1.67	48,925
2012	3,930.0	7.3	28,500	1.53	43,626

¹ Includes shearing at commercial feedyards.

Goat and Kid Inventory

KANSAS: As of January 1, 2013, the total number of milk goats and kids was 4,900 head, down 8 percent, while all meat goats and kids totaled 34,000 head, down 21 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2013, totaled 2.81 million head, down 2 percent from 2012. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.32 million head, down 2 percent from 2012. Does one year old and older, at 1.73 million head, were 2 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 490 thousand head, up one percent from a year ago. **Kid crop** for 2012 totaled 1.79

million head for all goats, down 5 percent from 2011. **Meat and all other goats** totaled 2.32 million head on January 1, 2013, down 2 percent from 2012. Milk goat inventory was 360 thousand head, unchanged from January 1, 2012, while Angora goats were down 7 percent, totaling 136 thousand head. **Mohair production** in the United States during 2012 was 770 thousand pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 136 thousand head. Average weight per clip was 5.7 pounds. Mohair price was \$3.89 per pound with a value of 2.99 million dollars.

For the latest beef and other livestock charts provided by Dr. Glynn Tonsor, Extension Ag Economist with KSU-Research & Extension Service, please go to www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/graphs. Links to the latest newsletter and radio comments can also be found from this website.

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